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HENRY NATHAN, Jr. & Co.

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ALE—Bass' and Allspice, in quarts and pints;

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BRANDY—Jules Robin & Co. and Champagne Cognac in case;

GIN—Swaine, Board & Co.'s and Barnard & Co's

GENEVA—Red and Green case;

RUM—in bals, hide and plums;

WHISKEY—Cambridge, in case;

SHERRY—in casks and case;

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CHAMPAGNE—A. Collins', in qts and pints;

CLARET—in 1 doz. cases;

GINGER BRANDY,

ORANGE BITTERS;

CHERRY CORDIAL.

ICKLES—Cross & Blackwell's and Patty's;

SAUCES—Lou & Perrin's and "THE SAUCE";

CURRENTS AND RAISINS;

CANDLES—Price & Co.'s and Hale's;

SOAP—Best London;

VINEGAR—Amber, in case, No. 24 in cask;

PE FRUITS;

JAMS;

OATMEAL

PATENT CROATS AND BARLEY

SARDINES,

PIMENTO,

CLOVES;

CHOCORY POWDER,

HONCO COCOA,

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LARD, in tins and kegs,

OREGON STRAW PAPER, in bales.

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large sum of money as a necessary outlay was involved in the affair, we should of course attribute the delay of the authorities to a possible want of means; but that is not the case; a small outlay would accomplish all that is necessary and be of incalculable benefit to the Colony.

By Electric Telegraph.

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST

LAST NIGHT'S DISPATCHES

[From our Special Reporter.]

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.

We beat the St. George's Club to-day by twenty-two runs.

J. B.

Eastern States.

CHICAGO, April 15.—The Tribune's special says that Farrand, nominated to Valparaiso and Gen. Caldwell, nominated to Calao, will be changed.

Many persons regret the removal of Ross Browne, and the Pacific coast Senators talk of fighting Howard's nomination.

It is understood that Fish, Secretary of State, does not represent the views of the Administration relative to Cuba, and has been overruled by the President.

In the Senate to-day, resolutions were submitted authorizing the Secretary of the Navy, with the consent of the Columbian Government, to cause a thorough survey to be made for a railroad or ship canal across the Isthmus of Darien from San Miguel to the Gulf of Arabia!

The following nominations was made to-day, M. M. Delano, Consul to Foo Chow. The Senate has confirmed the following Ministers: Curtin, to Russia; Thos. H. Nelson, Mexico; Consul Charles A. Sheppard of New York, Yedo; Charles E. Perry of New York, Aspinwall; Consul General Freeman, H. Morse, London; J. M. Reed, Paris. Motley's instructions are being prepared. He will take his departure very soon. It is understood that the instructions confirm Gen. Grant's publicly expressed views regarding the liability of England for all property destroyed by the Alabama. It is thought he will be given a wide range for the negotiations of future treaties.

The World thinks an extra Congress will be called within sixty days undoubtedly for the consideration of the Annexation of Cuba, either peaceably or forcibly.

Europe.

LONDON, April 16.—In the House of Commons to-night, in accordance with previous notice, Mr. Gladstone moved to go into committee on the bill for the disestablishment of the Church. Mr. Newgate, Conservative member from North Warwickshire, moved an amendment that the House go into committee on the bill six months from the present date, which was equivalent to postponement. A lively debate ensued, during which Mr. Aytoun, Liberal member from Kirkcaldy, who voted with the majority when the bill passed a second reading, created a sensation by stating his objections to the clause in the bill providing for the support of Maynooth College. A scene of great excitement followed; when it subsided the discussion was renewed and lasted for six hours. At the conclusion of the debate the House divided on Mr. Gladstone's motion resulting in 355 for, to 229 against, when the House formally went into a committee on the bill and then adjourned.

The Newmarket Beneficial Stake was won by Bluegown, who was the victor in last year's race.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 21.—The Cricket match to-day between the Victorians and the Pioneer Club, of this city, was won by the former, who had seven wickets to spare at the conclusion of the game.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—Floor \$4 75 @ 5% for Oregon extra.

Wheat—\$1 60, for choice; other descriptions, \$1 55 down to \$1 30.

Bailey—\$1 65 @ 2 00.

Oats—Cheice, \$1 95 @ 2 05 for California and Oregon.

Gold—132@133 1/2.

Arrived—Bark Onward, Utsalady; ship Mary Glover 15 days from Port Discovery.

Sailed—Bark Moneta, Port Orchard.

The sailing of the steamer Continental for Portland is postponed until Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Oregon.

PORLAND, April 19.—On Friday night Capt. Connor of the steamer Oriflamme, while stepping from a higher to a lower portion of the sidewalk, fell violently, dislocating his ankle and fracturing the bone.

The work of dredging the channel at the mouth of the Willamette is progressing rapidly.

The steamer Oriflamme with Ben Holliday's excursion party sails for the Sound to-morrow.

The weather continues stormy. Heavy rains have fallen during the past week.

Second Dispatch.

Europe.

LONDON, April 17.—The debate in the House of Commons on the Church Bill was resumed last evening, when Disraeli moved to omit the following clauses from the bill: On and after the 1st January, 1871, said union created by the Parliament between the Church of England and Ireland shall be dissolved, and shall cease to be established by law. Disraeli supported his proposition at length, and contended that the above clause destroyed the supremacy of the Crown, and placed the Church at disadvantage. Sir Robert Collier and Sir Roundell Palmer spoke in opposition to the amendment. Mr Gladstone also spoke against it, criticising the statement made by Disraeli. He thought notwithstanding this clause the supremacy of the crown would continue to exist, but in an altered form. If this amendment was successful it would absolutely destroy the bill, and the union of the Churches would continue, but that union must be enforced by Parliamentary vote.

Disraeli replied, and admitted that his intention was to strike a mortal blow at the bill, but if the motion was accepted the government could still continue their disengagement policy.

The vote on the motion was—221 for and 334 against, and was received with tremendous cheers by the Liberals.

FLORENCE, April 17.—The bill for reorganizing the army, now before Parliament, fixes the active strength at 400,000 men.

MADRID, April 17.—The National Cortes has agreed on the first Article of the Constitutional Amendment. The substitution of the words—"People of the Nation" for "People of the Monarchy," in the 4th Section. The committee on the Constitution has postponed a decision as to the form of government.

WASHINGTON, April 19.—The following were among the nominations to-day: H. B. Millard, of Arkansas, for the Sandwich Island Consulship; Wm. A. Howard was confirmed as Minister to China. The Senate confirmed Edward McCook as Governor of Colorado; C. E. Crowe of Alabama, as Governor of New Mexico.

NEW YORK, April 19.—A Washington special says, it is confidentially declared that a peremptory demand will be made on the Spanish authorities of Cuba for the immediate release of the brig Mary Lowell and the surrender of the two passengers taken from the Lizzie Major. A refusal of the demand will be followed by hostile demonstrations by the navy.

The Philadelphia Navy Yard has received orders for the immediate fitting out of the monitors now there.

The Herald's Washington special declares that the Government is making active preparations for war in Cuba.

The Tribune's special says that the Government will preserve strict neutrality.

CHICAGO, April 19.—A Tribune special says Reverdy Johnson asks to be allowed to remain till August, but his request will not be granted. It is probable our Government will allow the British Government to make the next advances for the settlement of the Alabama claims, and negotiations will be transferred from London to Washington.

It is generally believed that the Senate will adjourn on Wednesday.

There is no doubt that a Cuban expedition is preparing; but it will not sail from New York but from some point further south.

NASHVILLE, April 17.—A Republican meeting in Blount, Conn., recently denounced the nomination of Gen. Longstreet as an injustice to the widows and orphans of loyal Tennesseeans.

NEW YORK, 19.—The Herald's New Orleans special says a formidable organized expedition is preparing for Cuba beyond a doubt; General Steadman will probably be the leader. Collector Casey, who is brother-in-law to President Grant, says he doesn't want to hear or know anything about the expedition. The District Attorney receives Washington for instructions and receives only vague and general ones.

NEW YORK, April 19.—A Commission is preparing to erect a monument in Central Park to Humboldt. Permission has been granted by the King of Prussia to make a casting of a bust from one being made in Berlin.

Mexico.

Mexican advises state that the revolutionists of Sonora, would declare for annexation to the United States. Other northern States favor the same course. Reports of a quarrel between Rosecrans and Juarez are unfounded.

The revolution in Sinaloa is once more.

Jesus Maria had 4000 men, and had pronounced against the Government.

Cuba.

HAVANA, April 19.—The Catalonian volunteers have arrived and were received with immense enthusiasm. Two negro spectators shouted "Viva Cespedes," and were instantly killed.

California.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 19.—The ship Czarowich, lately seized by the Collector of the Port of Sitka, was released to-day, having violated no law.

Arrived—April 18—Steamer Ajax, Portland; ship Czarowich, Sitka.

Sailed—April 17—Schooner B. H. Ramsdell, Trinidad; brig Oiga, Sitka; schooner F. L. Steele, Sitka. April 19 h—Schooner Clara Light.

New York gold 133 1/2.

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THE SUPREME COURT OF CIVIL JUSTICE, V. I. B. C. IN BANKRUPTCY.

IN RE MALCOLM MUNRO A. BANKRUPT.

HIS HONORABLE CHIEF JUSTICE NEEDHAM has appointed Wednesday, the 25th day of May next, at 12 o'clock noon, for the last examination and discharge of the Bankrupt.

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Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED

April 21—S.S. Ocean Queen, Smith, San Juan
Boat Fly, McIntosh, San Juan
Cleared

April 21—T.M. Wilson G. Hunt, Wall, Pt Townsend
Star Eliza Anderson, Finch, Pt Townsend
Sip Ocean Queen, Smith, San Juan

Auction Sale To-Day.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.—Wharf street..... Will sell at
Cattle Sale Yard, Port Street, at 12 o'clock noon, Cows,
Calves, Horses, &c., &c.

From the Mainland—\$90,000 in Treasure Arrived.

The steamer Enterprise arrived at 6½ o'clock last evening from New Westminster, bringing 18 passengers, Barnard's Express with \$70,000 and a Government mail. There were also \$20,000 in private hands. Among the passengers were Mr. Cunningham of New Westminster, Dr. Foster, of Clinton, and Mr. Schorling of Quesnelmouth. The upper river steamer Enterprise was to have made her first trip yesterday. The water in the river opposite Soda creek was low, and the ice all gone. The farmers at Soda creek had got their seed in and the yield, it is anticipated, will exceed that of any previous year.

From Clinton, we learn that there was no snow on the ground and that no rain had fallen of late. The farming prospects are very encouraging. At Yale there have been heavy rains, and a portion of the wagon road was washed away. Ben's packtrain (the first of the season) left Yale for Keithley creek on the 15th. Land near Boston Bar is worth \$160 an acre, and hay, \$60 per ton. The Yale Examiner estimates that from \$20,000 to \$30,000 in dust was dug from the bars of Thompson river last winter. Silver ore has been found near Lytton; Hautier & Co. have secured some rich specimens.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

(From the Sentinel, April 3.)

The Cariboo Co. washed last week 87 oz; Canadian Co. 80 oz; Barker Co. 60 oz; Baldhead Co. 50 oz.

CONKLIN GULCH.

The Eclipse Co. have not got into their own ground yet; they have been running through a point of bed rock.

STOUT GULCH.

The Coombs Co. have commenced washing from their tunnel, with good prospects. Jenkins Co. have just bottomed their shaft over the back channel. Hill claims have been staked off by some of the companies below, under the impression that the old channel is in the hill on the south side of the gulch.

MOSQUITO GULCH.

The Minnebaha Co. has commenced work on top and looks well. Last week they divided 30 oz above expenses.

(From the Sentinel, April 10.)

The Barker Co. washed last week 74 oz; the Canadian Co. 66 oz; Cariho Co. 60 oz; Baldhead Co. Rocking below, 30 oz.

STOUT GULCH.

This gulch has been the scene of much excitement during the last week, in consequence of what is supposed to be a continuation of the pay got by the Coombs and Jenkins companies having been struck by the Floyd company in the bank. Several claims have been, in consequence located in the lower part of the gulch; and the flat at the head, between the divide and the Black Bull Co.'s ground on Lowhee, has also been staked off. The Coombs Co. are in good ground, and washed last week 70 oz. The Floyd Co. washed 23 oz. from a small quantity of dirt off the high bed rock alongside their original claim. This gulch will, it is expected, yield largely next summer.

CONKLIN GULCH.

Nothing now has been struck. The Eclipse tunnel has not yet got in. A company called the White Pine has been located at the head of the gulch. The Renfrew and Indian Queen are working, but cannot wash dirt to advantage, in consequence of scarcity water.

MOSQUITO CREEK.

The Minnebaha Co. are getting good pay out of the "ghost" shaft. They divided last week 75 ounces over expenses.

QUEEN RIVER—NORTH FORK.

The water on the North Fork being lower this winter than for many years, several companies have taken advantage of the circumstances and put in wing-dams, and a good deal of money is being taken out. This section, with the creeks adjacent, will be tried during the coming season, and anticipations of results are sanguine. Provisions, which have been very high all winter, are becoming more plenty, due to Keithley being now offered at 35 cents.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A company has been formed at Soda creek and Quesnelmouth to prospect the head waters of Fraser and Peace Rivers, and the Government has given instruction to Mr Brew to contribute an equal amount to what is raised by the company, if not exceeding five hundred dollars, towards the expenses of the expedition.

A most daring robbery was perpetrated on Monday last on Conklin Gulch. Mr John Rease, shareholder in the Indian Queen Co., on going to work in the morning left in the pocket of his coat, in his cabin, a pocket book containing \$150 in bank notes and a specimen. On returning to dinner at noon, he forgot to take it with him as he had intended, but in the evening when he came from work, he went to the coat pocket and found the pocket book there, but the notes had vanished.

The suit of the Barker Co. vs. the Canadian Co., for alleged trespass, was decided in favor of the defendants. The suit of the Sawmill Co. vs. the Ericson Co., to recover \$2,000 for alleged trespass, was decided in favor of the plaintiffs—the group in dispute to be surrendered by defendants, who must pay in addition \$500 as damages.

The Isabel was passed by the Enterprise yesterday. She was towing down a coal laden bark, supposed to be the Washington for Kodiak.

"THE CHERUB IN THE AIR."—They have got a magician (Mr. Hartz) at San Francisco, who produces on the stage one of the strongest and most unaccountable optical illusions ever exhibited. The curtain rises and you see the head and shoulders of a beantuous angelic being, poised among the azure clouds, with wings unfolded. The body has faded away like a mist, and the face is so sweet as to seem not of this earth. It appears like a fairy dream. You are awakened to the reality by Mr. Hartz desiring the fairy being to turn her head to one side and again to the front. A distant shadow is thrown on the clouds in the background from a powerful gas-light reflector stationed between the audience and the "cherub." The shadow moves as the head moves. If you remain quite still it appears that the head and wings are emerging from the clouds. But by changing position it is seen that the "cherub" is some distance in front of the clouds. The "cherub," upon being asked if she can talk, distinctly answers: "I can." The audience, by request, move around the room, and then to within a few feet of the stage, and every change of position intensifies the delusion. Nothing can seem more real than that, within the distance of a few feet, is poised in mid-air the head and wings of a real and beautiful being, with features lit by a quiet smile, with expressive eyes, with everything as perfect, to all appearance, as are the very acquaintances of every-day life. And the curtain rolls down leaving you in doubt almost as to the fact of your own existence, and quite as to the degree of credence worthy of being given to your senses.

REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN SHIPPING.—Ouroks' proximity to the ports on the Sound where shipbuilding is carried on so largely, may render a knowledge of the Imperial Act respecting the registration of foreign vessels of importance to our community; we therefore append the Act 31 and 32 Vic., Cap. 129, passed 31st July, 1868.

1. The Governor or Officer lawfully administering the Government of any British Possession may from time to time, with the approval of one of Her Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, make regulations providing that on an application for Registration under the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, in that possession of any ship not exceeding sixty tons burthen, the Registrar may grant, in lieu of a Certificate of Registry as required by that Act, a Certificate of Registry to be terminable at the end of six months from the granting thereof, or of any longer period; and all Certificates of Registry granted under such regulation shall be in such form and shall have effect subject to such conditions as the regulations prescribe.

2. Notwithstanding anything in the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854, or in any other Act, any ship to which a certificate is granted under any such regulations shall, while such Certificate is in force, and in relation to all debts done or incurred during that period, be deemed a registered British ship.

3. The Governor of any British possession abroad may from time to time appoint fit and proper persons to be Surveyors, who shall have and exercise within such possession all the powers with respect to the inspection of Crew Spaces that are conferred upon the Board of Trade Surveyors in the United Kingdom by Section Nine of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1857.

THE TARIFF REVISION COMMISSION.—A meeting of this body was held yesterday, the hon. Collector of Customs in the Chair. We understand that the Commission will invite the opinions of merchants, manufacturers, farmers and others, and that it is their intention to revise the tariff in a manner that shall prove beneficial to all interests. In this connection, we observe that an impression has gone out that the change will be immediate. This is erroneous. No change can possibly be made before the next meeting of the Legislative Council, or, at least until the report of the Commission shall have been submitted, and an ex-officio convened to pass upon the report; then, if the Governor has received it, to refer all proposed changes in Tariff to the Home Government, the revised Tariff cannot come into force until the Colonial Office has examined it. We hope—sincerely hope—that the appointment of this Commission is not a sop thrown out to lay the indignation that has been killed in the breasts of all good citizens against the Executive in consequence of its inactivity and heartless sponges.

ANOTHER CONCESSION—SHIPS TO BE SUPPLIED DUTY FREE OUT OF BOND.—We understand that orders have been issued to permit the supply of ships with stores out of bond; free. This is another move in the right direction. Let the good work go on. The vox populi is at last being listened to. Well would it have been for the Executive and the Colony had it received the same respectful consideration years ago.

FOR THE NORTH.—The Hudson Bay Company's steamer Otter will sail for Nainaimo, Fort Rupert, Queen Charlotte Island, Fort Simpson, &c., on Monday next. Among her passengers she will carry Mr. George Robinson and 18 men for the Queen Charlotte Coal Company, at Saanich the Outer will take on a quantity of lumber for the same company.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.—A message received by Mr. Brodrick, Agent, last evening, stated that the steamship Grifflame sailed from Portland for Victoria at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and that the Gussie Tel fair would leave for Victoria on Friday evening.

THE PORTLATCH.—Two or three small patches of blankets and mackintoshes took place yesterday at the Songish Reserve. To-day the men will be presented with gifts, on Saturday the dusky maidens of the forest are to come in for a share of the good things.

THE ENTERTAINMENT AT THE MECHANIC'S INSTITUTE.—Another of these delightful soirees, provided with so much taste by the Committee of Management of the above Institution, took place on Tuesday evening last. The opening glee "Hail Smiling Morn," by Messrs. White, Fox, Jenkinson and Wilson, was nicely executed and well received by the audience. Hon. P. J. Hanks followed by reading the history of little Domby from Dickens' Domby and Son. The affecting little story is well known, and probably none of those exquisite touches of domestic life for which Dickens is celebrated, can exceed it in beauty and pathos. How the strange, weirdlike little spirit seemed to fascinate everyone that came within its influence, and how like the receding strains of music it faded away into the spirit world. The strong ties of affection that subsisted between the child and his sister "Floey," the pompous self-complacent merchant, Mrs. Chick, who insisted on the dying mother of little Paul making "an effort," are all described as Dickens alone can describe them, and read in the clear, distinct tones, modulated to suit the person represented as speaking, pleasure than that of hearing Mr. Hank in these charming readings. There could be no doubt as to the effect on the audience, everyone was deeply moved and applauded Mr. Hanks at the close with hearty goodwill. Messrs. White and Wilson sang a fine old duet "The Mauley Heart," to which they imparted a finish that made it in our opinion the morsel of the evening. A trio on the flute was remarkably well played by Messrs. Leigh *pere et fils* for which they received a merited encore. They were succeeded by Messrs. White, Fox, Jenkinson and Wilson, who sang a sparkling quartet "Baibach, O Maiden," with such spirit that they received a rapturous recall to which they responded after a short intermission by singing the "Mill Wheel." They afterwards rendered the "Day Slowly Declining," exhibiting in each case great knowledge of musical effect. Miss Palmer sang a sweet little song "Give me thy Blessing," and pleased the audience so much that she was loudly encored. The song, without showing a great deal of originality, is pretty and will always be a favorite. A very pretty song was sung with much sweetness by Miss Palmer (the title of which we did not obtain) in response to the encore, which pleased the auditory, who expressed their thanks by loud applause. Mr. Hanks then read "The Schoolboy's Story" by Dickens, with his wonderful facility and clearness of enunciation. The effect on the audience might be distinctly noted in the changing expression of the faces of the listeners, and their wrapt attention. Mr. Hanks was frequently applauded during the recital, and at the conclusion received the unanimous and loud expression of general appreciation. The whole of the vocalists joined in singing "God Save the Queen" in which they were supported by the audience. Mr. Digby Palmer presided at the piano, and enlivened the evening by the performance of several choice morsels. The audience included a great number of ladies, who seemed to enjoy the entertainment with more than ordinary zest.

PROSPECTING EXPEDITION FOR PEACE RIVER.—The citizens of Quesnelmouth and Soda creek districts have succeeded in raising about \$1100 to equip a party for the purpose of exploring the headwaters of Findlay's branch of Peace river. The government has offered \$500 additional; but we understand that \$1000 has been asked for. It is proposed to send six or eight miners with a twelve-months' supply of provisions and otherwise fully equipped for work. The route which they will probably take will be through Stewart's Lake to Lake Table, and thence northerly to the streams which flow from Findlay branch. Among those who expected to go are named Duncan McLean, James May, Black Jack and others as old prospectors. We think that this move will result in developing a large and rich gold region.

FAR PUGET SOUND.—The steamer Wilson G. Hunt and Eliza Anderson sailed hence for Puget Sound yesterday noon. The Bishop of Columbia and Mrs. Hills sailed by the Hunt. They were met on the wharf by a large number of friends, who bade them "God speed" on their journey. Among the passengers by the Eliza Anderson was Mr. L. Lowenberg, one of our pioneer citizens, who makes his first visit to Puget Sound.

THE VEX'D QUESTION.—Yesterday, in the suit of Dickson, Campbell & Co. vs. R. Woods, affidavits were read by Mr. Wood on behalf of the plaintiffs, and the Chief Justice decided that the nature of the case was such as to require the presence of Chief Justice Begbie on the bench. The case will, therefore, be tried by Mr. Begbie. We are glad that this suit is at last in a fair way of settlement, and we believe that it is declining to sit and hear the case Mr. Needham has acted with wisdom.

THE OLD FELLOWS' FESTIVAL.—The presentation of banner to Victoria Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F., will take place on Monday next, at 3 p.m. An address will be delivered by Rev. Thomas Somerville. The banner is the gift of the Sisters of Rebekah. In the evening a ball will be given at the St. Nicholas Hall.

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Bankruptcy Court.

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M. Munro—Passed his second examination.

R. Macdonald—Adjourned for confirmation of sale on 27th March last of Esquimalt property.

W. Lyons—Adjourned for further consideration after the money shall have been paid into Court.

Dickson, Campbell & Co. vs. R. Woods.—In this case, after hearing affidavits of Mr. J. O. Nicholson, read by Mr. Wood, the Chief Justice consented to request Chief Justice Begbie to try the case.

INDIAN DEPUTATION.—Yesterday a number of Cowichan Indians waited upon his Excellency the Governor to complain of the manner in which they have been dispossessed of their lands. His Excellency received the Indians kindly. A Catholic priest, who has labored long and successfully with the tribe, acted as interpreter. It appears the savages are dissatisfied with the survey made a year ago by the Government officers. The Governor offered them facilities for fencing in their land and other privileges; but the Indians still expressing dissatisfaction, another interview was arranged for to-morrow; when it is hoped the difficulties will be smoothed over, as a state of feeling which bodes no good is fast growing up in the minds of the East Coast Indians, who believe that they have been cruelly wronged by the alienation of their lands.

WORTH KNOWING.—The following is going the rounds of the papers: "One of the most annoying and painful little troubles is a felon. A genuine remedy is worth circulating. It is said that a poultice of onions applied morning and night for three or four days will cure a felon. No matter how bad the case, lancing the finger will be unnecessary if the poultice is applied. The remedy is a sure, safe, and speedy one."

CUNARDS have lowered their rate for passengers to the Atlantic, and have determined to carry steerage passengers. The reduced fare is cabin passage \$80 and steerage passenger \$30. Hitherto this line have declined to carry steerage passengers, but the close competition of other companies now renders it necessary. A new steam line is projected from St. John in Germany to New York. This company intends building four steamers at a cost of \$1,000,000 in gold and they are to ply twice a month. In addition to this, extra steamers will be dispatched twice a month by the Hamburg and New York Steam Packet Company, commencing May 1st.

A singular instance of the absurdities of charitable bequests is furnished in London, where some hundred years ago some good old soul left a house and garden in the city as a perpetual maintenance for three poor women and a cat. The property is now worth £50,000 a year. The poor women and their cat—friends of the trustees—are maintained; and the rest of the income, £39 650 per annum, is expended in salaries on uncles, aunts, cousins—appointed as secretaries, treasurers, chaplains, visitors, etc., who see to the proper distribution of alms, catechise the old women, and stroke the cat.

The latest Spring Styles of Mens' and Boys' Straw and Felt Hats, direct from New York and England, have just been opened out at Adams & Beavan's, Government Street.

A. Gilmore, Tailor, wishes to inform his friends and the public that he is selling off the balance of his winter stock at cost to make room for spring goods.

FEU'S COFFEE has become the favorite Colonial beverage, and is to be found on every breakfast table from Victoria to the foot of the Rocky Mountains.

This U. S. revenue cutter Lincoln sailed at 6 yesterday morning for Alaska. She will call at Nansimo.

THE BARK Marie sailed from Burrard Inlet for Australia on Tuesday with a full cargo of lumber.

BINHAMPTON, April 12.—A man named Weaver Blanchard was yesterday decapitated by his wife and two girls, while in a house of ill-fame. The woman had fled.

The Supreme Court of the State of N.Y. have issued a perpetual injunction against Eaton and Jenkins for counterfeiting Ayer's Oatbrake Pills holding them responsible for the cruel imposition in what they have done and restraining them from further like injury to the public. If any class of our people more than another needs the interposition of law to shield them from imposture, it is the sick and suffering who are unable to protect themselves. A remedy so universally employed as Ayer's Pills by all classes, both to cure and prevent disease, should as it does, have every security the law can afford it, from counterfeit and imitation.

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For all complaints peculiar to the life of women, young and old, married or single, this will speedily remedy and recommended with friendly earnestness. It will correct all functional derangements to which they are subject.

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For all skin diseases, however inveterate, these medicines are a sovereign remedy. While the disease invades the blood, it quickly disappears. Every complaint passes away with the gout, and changes every structure, as water saturates the soil as salt potash does.

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